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SUBJECT: THAI ZINC CONTRACT FINALLY SIGNED

REF: BANGKOK 13982

1. THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE MINERAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, PISUD SUDASNA NA AYUTHYA, AND FRANK TYE, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THAI ZINC, SIGNED THE LONG-AWAITED CONTRACT ON JULY 18, PERMITTING THAI ZINC TO MINE AND SMELT 40,000 TONS OF ZINC ORE PER YEAR.

2. ACCORDING TO THE NEWSPAPER ACCOUNT, THAI ZINC IS ALLOWED TO EXPORT THE 35,500 METRIC TONS OF STOCKPILED ORE ON THE CONDITION THAT THE MONEY EARNED FROM ITS SALE WILL BE INVESTED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SMELTING PLANT. THIS AGREEMENT, REPORTEDLY QUARANTEED BY CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, STATES THAT THE COMPANY WILL HAVE TO COMPLETE THE CONSTRUCTION WITHIN 36 MONTHS FROM THE DAY THE CONCESSION IS GRANTED (EXPECTED WITHIN THE NEXT SEVEN DAYS).

3. SINCE THAI ZINC'S OFFICE IS CLOSED TODAY, THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN UNABLE TO OBTAIN CONFIRMATION OF ALL THE DETAILS FROM THE FIRM. WE WILL BE REPORTING FURTHER
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